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Candidates Have Their Say

By Andree A. Belisle

Monica Bauer and Paul Kollios will face off September 15 in the Democratic Primary. In order to help voters understand each candidate's philosophy and position on a number of issues, the Chronicle submitted a series of questions to each candidate and asked that they respond in writing by September 4 in order for their answers to be printed in today's publication. Each of the candidates responded on time and their answers are repeated here, in their entirety, unedited.

PAUL KOLLIOS

Kollios prefaced his response to the questions with the following statement: "Thank you for the opportunity to discuss this campaign and my legislative record. I welcome this chance to highlight the accomplishments that I have been discussing with the voters as I campaign door-to-door -- accomplishments that have been important to the citizens of Auburn, Millbury, and Oxford.

"Your questions are rather lengthy and some would require more space than you have in your paper to answer in full -- for example, even a short explanation of all the bills that I have filed [The Chronicle never requested an explanation of the bills, only a listing - Ed.] would fill at least two pages -- and wouldn't even begin to fully explain the importance of these bills! In addition, I and my staff would have to devote several hours to compiling this list, hours that are better spent in dealing with the problems of my constituents, rather than doing the legwork for the media.

"Given the need for lengthy responses to your questions in order to provide complete explanations, I would insist that you print this letter unedited.

QUESTION to KOLLIOS: Please list all the legislation which you filed since first being elected to the House of Representatives. (Please do not include legislation which you co-sponsored or which was filed by the Human Services Committee or any other committee on which you served.)

KOLLIOS RESPONDS: I have sponsored or co-sponsored many bills and important budget amendments in my legislative career. Your request to not include bills I have co-sponsored ignores the essence of the legislative process. One legislator cannot pass a bill into law -- you need the support of a majority of your colleagues. We seek co-sponsors in order to build that support. These bills are no less mine than if I had filed them alone.

As I mentioned above, a complete listing would fill many pages. I have chosen to highlight a few legislative accomplishments from recent years. In no particular order, thev are:

- a bill extending veterans' benefits to military personnel who took part in Desert Storm;
- a measure that enabled the state to receive $30 million per year in Federal reimbursements for rehabilitation and personal care services that were previously paid completely by the state;
- legislation establishing the Route 146 Citizens Advisory Committee made up of citizens from neighborhoods and businesses impacted by the Turnpike Connector project;
- legislation that allows local youth hockey leagues to run the concessions at hockey rinks;
- the Disabled Persons Protection Commission which provides greater powers for investigating and punishing abuse of disabled people in state institutions;
- a bill that reimburses parents of disabled children for taking care of their kids at home, keeping their families together and saving thousands of dollars for institutional care;
- a bill that doubled the penalty for boating violations;
- a bill filed on behalf of the Auburn Firefighters to allow charitable organizations to solicit donations on public ways. The firefighters collect thousands for Muscular Dystrophy.
- a bill prohibiting age discrimination in employment;
- a bill prohibiting nursing homes from engaging in discriminatory admissions practices;
- legislation that requires the Department of Social services to notify local law enforcement agencies to serious cases of child abuse; and
- a bill allowing disabled veterans not just amputees, to qualify for handicapped license plates.

These are just a few of my legislative accomplishments. In addition, I am very proud to have secured many, many grants for this district for economic development and environmental projects.

QUESTION to KOLLIOS: In your campaign announcements you stated that, if re-elected, you would continue to fight for education reform. Please go into detail on any education reform bills you filed during your tenure?

KOLLIOS RESPONDS: I attended Massachusetts public schools, the University of Massachusetts, taught in local high schools, and served on the Millbury School Committee. I have seen the best our schools have to offer, and the worst.

During my service on the Education Committee, I worked extensively on the two major legislative initiatives that were passed in the 1980's. My particular contribution in both these bills was to develop some modest early intervention and early childhood education programs for kids at risk in order to avoid costly special education costs later in their lives.

Some other education measures I have sponsored include the following: 1. restoring funding for the West Boylston Educational Center; 2. "Grandfathering" of the School Building Assistance Program; 3. securing funding for replacement of vocational school equipment; 4. encouraging the teaching of American Sign Language in public schools; and 5. improving physical education in public schools.

Finally, under my leadership, the Committee on Human Services and Elderly affairs is working on several measures we hope will reduce the amount of money spent on out of home placements for special education students.

However, maintaining our public education system to meet the changing needs of students and the requirements for the workplace of the future is an ongoing effort. Our ability to legislate reforms is tempered by the fiscal constraints of our cities and towns, and the recognition of all of our citizens -- parents, students, teachers, and those without children in the schools -- that we all have a stake in investing in education.

QUESTION TO KOLLIOS: list the percentage of your campaign contributions that came from outside your district. What percentages are from Political Action Committees and lobbyists? Please identify the PACs and lobbyists.

KOLLIOS RESPONDS: My campaign treasurer, Frank Gagliardi, informs me that we can readily determine that 91% of my campaign contributors are individuals and 9% are PACs. As to the remainder of your question, you are welcome, as is anyone else who is interested to examine my campaign finance reports which have been filed and are public records, in accordance with Massachusetts law.

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MONICA BAUER

QUESTION TO BAUER: name three startling differences in philosophies between you and Paul Kollios that would warrant a voter choosing you over an incumbent with substantial seniority?

BAUER RESPONDS: On three startling differences: 1. I take no PAC money; 2. because of that, I am free to work on real education reform, unlike the incumbent who is always endorsed by the Teacher's Union; 4. I am a political scientist, not a professional politicians, and because of that, I will live under a personal term limit of eight years.

QUESTION TO BAUER: of all the legislation supported by Mr. Kollios, briefly explain three of his votes with which you most disagree.

BAUER RESPONDS: The three votes with which I most disagree with the incumbent are 1. his sponsorship of the inmate labor bill, 2. his leadership role defending welfare to illegal aliens, and 3. his vote against an amendment that would have stopped the disgusting practice of the Legislature raising taxes in the middle of the night.

The inmate labor bill was offensive because it took away from our towns the ability to use inmate labor for free, at a time when the incumbents have cut our local aid to the bone.

Welfare for illegal aliens was routinely given out in the Dukakis administration. As Chair of the Committee that deals with welfare, the incumbent knew about the practice and favored it. During the 1989 debate on ending this program, the incumbent defended the measure as compassionate. This is an example of a Democratic party leadership that believes in compassion for everyone except the taxpayer footing the bill.

In 1991, an amendment was offered "to prohibit matters dealing with taxes, fines, fees, and other revenues from being considered after 10 p.m. or before 9 a.m., without a two-thirds vote." (1191 H-100) This would break a long pattern of our politicians meeting in the middle of the night, allowing them to do their work quietly. Any sensible Legislature ought to work in the light of day, under the glare of the press and public. No wonder voters feel that the Legislature is always pulling a fast one on them: they are! It is a disappointment that the incumbent, who seems to be for reform, voted against this helpful measure.

QUESTION TO BAUER: please give specifics on your education reform proposals.

BAUER RESPONDS: My eduction reform proposals include the following:

1. school-based management where principals and teachers work together to run their own ship;

2. less money spent on administration through consolidating services;

3. every school developing, with the input of parents, a special "magnet school" identity, allowing parents to choose which type of school, ranging from "back to basics" or "science and math," would suit their children;

4. higher standards set for passing grades, and an end to "social promotion";

5. more homework; American students do less homework than any other children in the modern world!;

6. innovative reading programs, such as "Drop everything and read" and the "Reading Recovery" program, because reading is a key for every thing else;

7. saving taxpayer dollars by reforming Special Education to include only those students for whom it is educationally appropriate (according to the State Board of Education Report of 1991, this would save $130 million each year;

8. saving taxpayer dollars by teaching students English instead of keeping them in bilingual education programs for years!

QUESTION TO BAUER: you received PAC money when you ran for Congress in Nebraska in 1 ... y the PACs which contrib ... gn and explain why you are ... g PAC money today.

... : I took perfectly legal don ... 1984, when I was re-cru ... State Democratic Party to ... Nebraska. PACs gave me $7 thousand dollars, and most of it came from organized labor. I have since become a Political Science Professor, and have learned a great deal more about the effects of money on our politics than I knew eight years ago. Money taints our politics, buys access to politicians, if not outright votes. In order to gain PAC money, you must have a voting record the PAC likes, and continue to keep that record to their liking. After the Keating 5 scandal, where crooked S&L owner Charlie Keating had five Senators working to keep the feds off his tail, I can't see why voters don't demand that all politicians give up PAC money. That's why I don't accept any.

QUESTION TO BAUER: do you hold Mr. Kollios in any way responsible for the state of the economy? Please give detailed reasoning based on his voting record.

BAUER RESPONDS: The state of the economy stinks: just ask anyone who's been out of work for months. Our incumbents should have done the following when the bottom started falling out of the "Mass. Miracle":

1. reduce, not increase, taxes on business in order to spur economic growth. Instead of reducing taxes, the incumbent voted to increase business taxes for workmen's compensation and unemployment insurance;

2. this is obviously not the time to add whole new taxes; but the incumbent voted for the new tax on services, voted against an attempt to repeal the tax months later, and only after the party leadership changed its mind did the incumbent vote with the crowd to repeal the tax on services. Businesses started to leave the state even before 1989, because of the Universal Health Insurance bill, a favorite cause of this incumbent. Because this bill would pay for health care by putting a huge new payroll tax on businesses, many companies planned to move out of state as soon as it looked like the bill might pass. The bill passed, but because of the state of the economy in 1989, was never put into effect, and had to be repealed. These votes show the general anti-business bias of most of our incumbents. Our economy may never improve if they don't change their minds, or get replaced.

QUESTION TO BAUER: you have come out strongly in favor of term limits. What advantages do feel a newcomer would have over an incumbent?

BAUER RESPONDS: Term limits are important because they keep politicians in their place, as temporary employees of the taxpayers. When a politician wants to keep a life-long career, then certain compromises become important. One must be nice to the Leadership, in order to be rewarded. That is why there are so few people in the Legislature or the Congress willing to stir things up, and have genuine debate. My advantage would be the freedom to buck the tide, shake things up, and push for real change. There will be no real change as long as professional politicians want to climb the leadership ladder. The incumbent is a good person with good motives, who, I believe, is now just too indebted to the leadership to provide the kind of change we all want.

QUESTION TO BAUER: the residents of Paul Revere have been seeking a solution to problems with their septic systems since spring of 1991. The residents have been told that state funding for sewer projects has dried up. What solution would you offer to the residents if you were elected?

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EDITORIAL

The Buck Stops at the Voting Booth

As voters prepare for the September primary and the November General election, another barrage of finger pointing over the state of the state and the state of the country begins...the President blames Congress; Congress blames the President; local officials blame state legislators; state legislators (since the majority are democrats) blame the Republican governor; the Republicans blame the democrats; and on and on...but no one blames the voter.

In the upcoming elections, voters will be asked to select candidates who will lead this state and the country for the next two to four years. We, as voters, have a serious responsibility to seek answers for past actions and votes of incumbents, to study the philosophy and proposals of newcomers on the political scene, and to base our vote on the information we have gathered.

Perhaps the country would be better served if each voter was held publicly accountable for his vote since most voters do not hold their legislators accountable. We complain about the state of the economy, health care, lack of education reform, prison reform, and welfare reform, increasing crime rates, and on and on, yet polls show the American public returns the same individuals to public office year after year after year.

As we enter the voting booth on September 15 and again in November, we must remember, "The buck stops here."

Correction

A photo in last week's edition mistakenly identified James Purcell as an Oxford Selectman. He is a former Oxford Selectman.

CALENDAR

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

PRIMARY DAY! VOTE!

'MILLBURY - The first meeting of the Millbury Woman's Club will be held at the Cranston Print Shop with a tour and buffet lunch. Meet at the First Congregational Church at 9:15 a.m. to car pool.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

SUTTON - The First Congregational Church of Sutton will hold a Public Luncheon, featuring Seafood Casserole, from noon to 1 p.m. The cost is $3.50.

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

SUTTON - The General Rufus Putnam Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution will meet at 1:30 p.m. at the Sutton Town Hall.

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

SUTTON - The Women's Fellowship of the First Congregational Church of Sutton will host a Whist party at 7:30 p.m. with raffles, door prizes and homemade refreshments.

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

MILLBURY - The Women's Fellowship of the First Congregational Church, West Main Street, will sponsor its Annual Flea Market from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Obituaries

ALFRED J. JAGIELSKI, SR.

MILLBURY - Alfred J. Jagielski, Sr., 57, of 1 Wheelock Ave., died August 28th in his home.

He leaves his wife, Evelyn M. (Payne) Jagielski; a son, Alfred J. Jagielski, Jr., of Worcester; a daughter, Jane M. Jacques of Webster; three brothers, Edward, Joseph, and Walter Jagielski, all of Forestville, CT; three sisters, Nellie Witkovic of Plainsville CT, Florence Plonski of Bristol CT, and Ellie Plonski of Sommers CT; nieces and nephews and cousins. He was born in Southington, CT, son of George and Frances (Ragula) Jagielski and lived in Forestville, CT before moving here 20 years ago.

Mr. Jagielski was a foreman at Wyman Gordon Co. in Worcester where he worked for 9 1/2 years, retiring in 1987. Previously he worked for New Departure, a division of General Motors Corp. in Bristol CT and was a part time police officer with the Bristol City Police Department from 1962 to 1970. He was a military police officer in the U.S. Army during the Korean conflict.

He was a member of the Olive Branch Lodge of Masons and a former member of the United Steel Workers Union. Mr. Jagielski and his wife were married December 17, 1955.

The funeral was held September 2nd from the Mulhane Home for Funerals, 45 Main St., with a Mass in St. Brigid's Church, 59 Main St. Burial was in Worcester County Memorial Park, Paxton. Memorial contributions may be made to St. Brigid's Church, 59 Main St., Millbury, MA 01527.

Super Park meeting

MILLBURY - The Millbury Super Park Committee will meet Wednesday, September 30, at 7:30 p.m. in the Millbury Town Hall. Anyone interested in volunteering is welcome to attend. For more information, call Evelyn Plante at 865-9132.

Millbury Camp Fire

MILLBURY - Millbury Camp Fire will soon be starting its new year. Your child will be bringing registration forms home from school shortly. These forms are due back at school by Wednesday, September 16. Register now and join Millbury Camp Fire on a "Starry Safari" at the New England Science Center on Friday, October 2.

For more information, call Nancy Cassista (865-3144), Beth Keenan (865-0405) or Mary Lou Mulhane (865-9831). Adult volunteers (age 18 or over) are needed.

Participates in Competition

MILLBURY - Rachel Kupcinskas, 138 Millbury Ave., represented the Hassanamisco Pony Club, a local club of the United States Pony Club, in the Know Down Competition held at the National Championship and Festival in Kentucky Horse Park, Lexington, July 30-August 9. She competed at the Sr. C Level, and her team placed Second. The Know Down is a team competition which tests participants' knowledge through a series of questions about horsemanship, horse management, conformation, veterinary and horse sports.

Rachel is the daughter of Patricia and Bert Kupcinskas.

Honored for years of service

MILLBURY - Marjorie Shaw Dudley, of 19 Waters Street, has received a 25 year service award from the Massachusetts Association of Medical Technology for her dedication and professionalism in the field of medical technology. Mrs. Dudley has worked at St. Vincent Hospital and the Medical Center of Central Massachusetts at both the Memorial and Hahnemann campuses in the departments of Microbiology, Heart Research, and Hematology.

She is now a hematology Specialist at the Hahnemann campus. She is also a member of the American Society of Medical Technology.

School Lunch Menus

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WEDNESDAY: Grilled Chicken Sandwich, Lettuce & Tomato, French Fries, Fruit
THURSDAY: Juice, Taco, Lettuce & Tomato, F F, Cake
FRIDAY: Cheese or Pepperoni Pizza, F F, Tossed Salad

ELEMENTARY SCHOOLS

MONDAY: Hot Dog on a Roll, F F, Baked Beans, Assorted Fruit
TUESDAY: Juice, Chickenburger on a Roll, Lettuce, F F, Jello/Topping
WEDNESDAY: Baconburger on a Roll, Lettuce & Tomato, Potato Puffs, Fruit
THURSDAY: Oven Baked Chicken, Mashed Potato, Peas, Cranberry Sauce, Bread/Butter, Brownie
FRIDAY: Tuna Sandwich, Potato Puffs, Carrots/Celery Stix, Ice Cream

Public Luncheon

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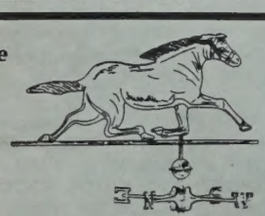

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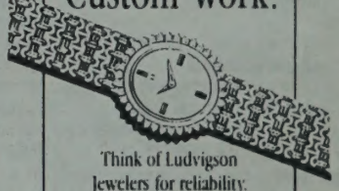

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Sutton joins class action suit against state

By Alec G. Belisle

SUTTON - Present for the Workshop Session of the September 1 Selectmen's meeting were Chairman Wally Johnson, and board members Mary K. Connor, David Strieby and Rick LaBonte. Selectman Dana Gravison arrived later.

Marion's Camp

Johnson read from two letters, one which suggested that the town not consider selling any part of Marion's camp and the other cautioning the board to consider elements of the Master Plan which address recreation and open space before it sells off any part .

Several members of the audience who have property on Singletary Lake near the Gilman property were present to comment on the discussion to sell the Gilman property.

Johnson said the board discussed the possibility of such a sale but had not done so seriously. He added that he had mentioned that there was no access to the Gilman property and expressed his opinion that the town should not sell any land.

"I would not say it wasn't a serious discussion," said LaBonte. He stated that he had discussions with members of the Recreation Commission who have told him that conditions at Marion's Camp are deteriorating, and, if the town plans to have an active recreation program, it must come up with the funds. He suggested that selling off the Gilman property might be one way of funding a program without placing the burden on the taxpayers.

Strieby said he visits the site regularly, and described the condition of some of the buildings which, he said, are deteriorating because of weather and water damage. "I think we should get it all patched and sealed up before the deterioration goes any further, otherwise it's going to be a worthless hulk before long," he said.

Elizabeth LeClaire, present owner of the property abutting the Gilman house, and through whose property the right of way to the Gilman property was given by her parents, addressed the board. She said that, as a taxpayer, she understood the need for the town to increase their funds and thought she would help save the town money by explaining the state of the property. Reading from her deed, she explained that the only right of way provided by her family to the Gilman's was surrendered back to her by Gilman before Sutton bought Marion's Camp. Presently, there is no right of way to the Gilman property through her land.

LaBonte and Strieby both said the board never anticipated a right of way through the LeClaire property but rather through the Tucker Road access.

Ruth Parker, owner of the property next to the Gilman house, said that the deplorable condition of the town's property is a nuisance and a fire hazard. She said that children come in by boat and dive off of the deteriorated deck of the house. "Even though it's posted, I would think it's a liability to the Town," she said. Parker said her property value is diminished by the unsightliness of the house and surroundings, yet this decrease in value is not reflected in a decrease in her property taxes.

Parker also told the board that a large pine tree was toppled by Hurricane Bob and poses a hazard. She asked if the board could look into removing the tree.

Johnson directed Town Administrator Dexter Blois to have it removed.

Connor recommended that the Camp Marion Study committee be reconvened to study all aspects of the camp.

Payment in Lieu of Taxes

Blois said he wrote to the Westport Board of Selectmen regarding a class action suit against the State for payment in lieu of taxes (PILOT) for state owned property. He said he spoke with the assessors and was given the following figures: in FY '87 Sutton received $22, 824 from the state in lieu of taxes; FY '88, '89, '90, '91, and '92 Sutton received nothing on the Cherry Sheet; in FY '93, Sutton is to receive $10, 278 as payment in lieu of taxes. He said the total value of state owned property in Sutton is $3,200,000 which at a tax rate of $10.00 per $1,000 should be a payment of $32,000 a year in taxes.

According to Blois, approximately 20 towns are participating in the class action suit against the State. It is estimated that it will cost each participating town about $1,000 to join the action which may take one and a half years to be resolved.

Blois said that the Westport selectmen are optimistic that this suit will be resolved favorably because this case is similar to a class action suit of towns seeking state reimbursement for monies paid under the Quinn Bill.

Connor said she would like to have more time to consider the suit but sees the urgency if Westport is to go forward with the suit.

LaBonte noted that Sutton went several years without receiving any money in lieu of taxes. If the town had received those monies, Sutton would have received over $110,000. He said the $1,000 to join the suit is money well spent.

"I don't see why a suit is necessary. Right is right, and wrong is wrong," Johnson said. "(The State) must know they owe us the money; why do we have to sue them?" he asked.

The board passed a resolution to join in the class action on a motion from Labonte and a second from Connor.

Police Appointment

Blois asked the board if they had questions concerning his notice of appointment of a police officer. He said the board must decide to reject or allow the appointment to remain.

[The candidates were never identified during the meeting.]

Connor explained that Blois called her about the three finalists. She said she indicated to him that she knew only one of the finalists, and after he (Blois) went through the qualifications of each, she said she felt she was in no position to comment because she did not know the other two candidates. She added that she feels she is placed in an awkward position because the policy the selectmen adopted a few years ago indicates that the pool of final applicants will be submitted to the Town Administrator and the board of selectmen for a final interview.

Connor said she would vote against the appointment only because she cannot in good conscience vote for someone she has not even met. She made a motion to reject the appointment.

Johnson said he is a firm believer in in-town appointments. He said he favored one of the candidates who was passed over several years ago because he was not qualified. "Since then," Johnson said, "he has gone out and got himself a Bachelor's degree in sociology and is 2/3 to 3/4 away from a Master's degree; he's worked as a police officer for the town of Sutton for the last 6 or 7 years putting in many weeks almost 40 hours, and I think he's well qualified; I think he deserves the position, and I think this time around he deserves the appointment."

Connor added that the reason for her motion is that the board has to have interviews in order to be able to weigh the pros and cons of each applicant. "I'm not making any statement one way or another about any of them (the applicants)," she said.

Blois explained that the reason for the urgency is that Sutton has been offered a $1,500 scholarship to send a candidate to the police academy. The name of the individual who will attend the academy has to be submitted by September 9.

Blois said he received more than 50 applications for the position. He said because the candidates from within the department were as qualified as those applicants from outside of the department, only candidates from within the department were interviewed. "That falls in line with the board's policy to make appointments from within the department if at all possible," he said. "The person I selected is a full time dispatcher within the department. I feel he has paid his dues; he has participated; he has trained on his own time, and I would then consider this a promotion from full time dispatcher to full time patrolman."

To a question posed by Gravison on why the appointment was

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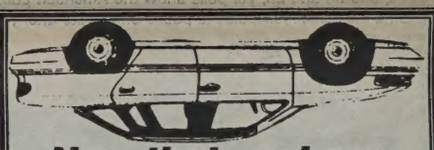
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Political fundraising is the most difficult part of public life, and I have always sought not to overburden my constituents with constant appeals for funds. These funds are used by my campaign committee to finance a district office, which is not provided by the state, so that I might better serve my constituents. In addition, the costs of campaigning rise every year; political candidates don't get discounts for mailing, printing, advertising, and all the other means of communicating who we are and what we stand for to the voters.

All contributions and expenditures by my campaign are made in accordance with Massachusetts law. In addition, I do not, as my opponent has done in the past, use my campaign funds for personal expenditures like haircuts, clothes, shoes, parking tickets, and car repairs.

I also would like you to know that I resent the implication in this question, which is similar to charges made by my opponents, that there is something illegal or unseemly about accepting contributions from PAC's or lobbyists. As long as such contributions are legal, I would be foolish not to accept contributions from groups that my opponents might.

You should also know that I have been a longtime supporter of campaign finance limits on PACs and lobbyists. In 1989, I voted for a rule in the House to limit the total amount a legislative candidate could receive from all PACs. Subsequently, I began working with Common Cause on a bill that would put these limits into law, and also limit the amounts that lobbyists could contribute to any individual campaign and the total amounts that PACs could contribute in any year. This year, working with Representative Dick Moore, Chairman of the Election Laws committee, this bill was reported favorably to the legislature, and we are hopeful of its passage this fall.

As to contributions from outside the district, I am proud that as I serve the citizens of this district, others from around the state have chosen to recognize my leadership and accomplishments.

[Mr. Kollios is correct, anyone can travel to Boston to the Office of Campaign & Political Finance at One Ashburton Place to view the financial reports of the candidates. However, the date for candidates to provide financial reports on the first half of the 1992 election cycle is Tuesday, September 8, making it impossible for most weeklies to provide their readers with this information prior to the election. As a result, we have capsulized data on contributions taken from the last election campaign, 1990, as reported to the Office of Campaign and Political Finance.

According to our estimate, Kollios' receipts in excess of $50 for January 1, 1990 through October 19, 1990 show that 22% came from Auburn, 11% from Millbury, 5% from Oxford, and 62% from outside the district

QUESTION TO KOLLIOS, in your campaign announcement, you stated that you were proud to have led the successful fights for the Route 146 Mass Turnpike connector and that this project will bring more business and increased job opportunities to our district.

a. Please explain how the Town of Millbury, specifically, will benefit given the fact that most homes and businesses along the corridor will be displaced.

b. Has anyone calculated the tax loss to Millbury if the businesses and homeowners do not to relocate in Millbury? We have heard a figure of a minimum of $170,000 yearly.

c. What have you acquired for Millbury to offset these losses and to improve the community which will be host to yet another Mass Pike interchange?

d. Since Millbury is already host to one Mass Pike interchange, did you research, either through conversations with residents of East Millbury or through newspapers reports, what effect the turnpike had on that area of East Millbury and what, if any, benefits the town of Millbury received?

KOLLIOS RESPONDS: The Route 146/Mass Turnpike connector will be the engine which will drive economic development for Millbury, Worcester and the entire Blackstone Valley. Area business leaders, local officials and the Worcester Telegram and Gazette all agree that this project is a major investment in our future -- an investment that will bring hundreds of thousands in tax revenue to the affected communities and jobs for our workers.

Aside from the economic development impact, this project is also important for public safety in that area. We will finally close the unsafe ramp system at Route 20. After intense negotiations between state and local officials, we were able to obtain a grade separated intersection at Route 122A. This will make that intersection safe and provide improved access to Millbury neighborhoods.

I have worked very closely with not only Millbury public officials, but also with its citizens. I have held neighborhood hearings and walked door-to-door to talk with residents of the impacted neighborhoods. I have brought state and Turnpike officials listen to and address the concerns that Millbury residents have voiced.

Finally, the Route 146 interchange will divert traffic congestion off Grafton Road in East Millbury without limiting access for those residents.

QUESTION to KOLLIOS: all legislators could be considered financial planners for their constituents since they are responsible for seeing that tax dollars reap dividends, either in increased job opportunities, increased police and fire protection, increases in the quality of education, increases in services provided by the state, and reductions in crime.

With so many people out of work (many in your district), so many businesses failing (many in your district), SAT scores dropping, layoffs in police and fire departments across the state, rising crime figures, do you feel that the taxpayers of Massachusetts have been well represented by the present legislature?

KOLLIOS RESPONDS: I think your premise that legislators are financial planners for their constituents presumes an arrogance and conceit that does not represent my view of the role of a legislator. We are elected because people trust our experience, values, and integrity and believe that we will examine the issues, listen to our constituents, and use our experience, values, and integrity to vote in a manner that represents what's best for the district.

Many of the problems you cite are national phenomena -- in case you haven't noticed, the recession is gripping the entire country, and SAT scores, while rising a little, recently, are down nationally. At the same time, the federal government has pushed hundreds of millions of dollars of spending onto the states. Under these difficult circumstances, our job is to reach consensus about what we can do at the state level, within our resources, to help Massachusetts deliver vital services and take advantage of our strengths to develop our economic recovery and create jobs.

I am proud of the accomplishments I mentioned previously, especially because they have come during difficult times. They are consistent with my commitment to the citizens of this district to put them first and to act responsibly, consistent with their values.

In addition, in the past two years we have stabilized the state budget and prepared the state to take best advantage of economic recovery. We have the largest research and development tax credit in the country which will attract new businesses, and we have begun overdue reforms of the workers' compensation system. We eliminated the service tax and the state tax, and sunsetted an income tax increase. We have eliminated thousands of state jobs, reformed our pension system, and streamlined government through measures like the consolidation of the State and MDC police forces. These steps will help Massachusetts remain competitive.

We have also maintained the state's commitment to the investments that are necessary to build the future. This legislature has overridden the Governor's vetoes of aid for education and scholarship assistance for our children, and we are investing in public works projects like the Rt. 146 connector that create construction jobs today and opportunities for economic development for the future.

Finally, we have struggled to maintain our state's tradition of caring for those who need help. I am proud of the work we have done in the Committee on Human Services and Elderly affairs to push this administration to develop new meth-

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not made sooner, Blois explained that the position has been vacant since February when John Annis was appointed Chief. Blois said because of budgetary reasons, he could not make the appointment before September. Blois said in early August, Chief Annis came to him saying that Sutton had a slot in the academy which would not cost the town any money. He said he notified the board that he was advertising for the position and the time schedule. He said the reason for the haste in making the appointment is so Sutton, like only a few other towns, can take advantage of the scholarship.

"I think it is important for the selectmen to do things the right way," Connor said. She said there was no reason for the selectmen to be involved in the approval process if they were not going to follow their own policy.

Johnson said he felt that the individual who had served the town was more qualified than the appointment that was made, and, for that reason, he was not ratifying Blois' appointment.

Strieby pointed out that the Charter states that the Town Administrator will appoint the chief of police and police officers.

Connor noted that the selectmen did adopt a policy to help the selectmen do their job.

Gravison explained that the reason he was late for the "Workshop Session" was because he had met with Chief Annis over the appointment. He said Annis told him that he would be happy with any of the three finalists. Gravison also said Annis told him he interviewed all the officers and patrolmen and asked them to rate each candidate, and "they didn't come up with the same name. They had no problem with all of the rest, but they also had a preference," Gravison said. He told the board he would go along with Johnson at this time and vote to reject the appointment.

Strieby said that he would defer to the Chief and go along with the Chief's recommendation.

LaBonte said he could appreciate the arguments presented by board members but, "You hire a Town Administrator to run the day-to-day operations of the town; maybe what we should do is go back and change the Charter and take the power to appoint police officers away from the town administrator and give it to the board and make it as political as possible. I will vote to affirm the appointment," he said.

Johnson, Gravison, and Connor voted to reject the appointment, LaBonte voted in favor, and Strieby abstained.

Kuchinski Property - Eminent Domain

Blois told the board that one portion of the intersection of Burnap Road and Central Turnpike "is not there any longer," and that Surveyor David Lavallee "finally has a survey that matches the Land Court recordings."

Connor asked if Kuchinski had the right to do more work on the property.

Blois responded that he did until the order of taking was recorded. He said that the order of taking of the land in question previously voted by the selectmen has to be re-ordered because the survey has to be recorded within 30 days of the order of taking. Since the survey taken for the last order of taking did not match up with that of the land court, the survey could not be recorded in the specified time. A new order has to be voted and signed. This vote will then go before the Planning Board on September 14 for Approval Not Required and then be filed with the Registry.

Blois said he talked to Johnson and Highway Surveyor Ray Smith about reducing the town's offer to Kuchinski by the cost of replacing the road, or about $3,000. He said that Town Counsel was comfortable with the board voting to take the property with a "pro tanto" payment of $11,500 not the $14,500 that was voted at Town Meeting.

Johnson said he agreed that the property still belonged to Kuchinski, "but nothing was ever mentioned about 'we still didn't have the right of way over that property.' Now he has gone down, and he has wilfully disturbed and destroyed our right-of-way."

Strieby said he would describe it differently. "I don't dispute it was not his property, but I will maintain that the road surface was town property. By disturbing that, I would say he destroyed town property, and I'm wondering if legal action can't be taken through the courts."

Blois said that he asked town counsel that question and has not yet received an answer.

Connor suggested going forward with the land taking order and then checking on the town's options.

Apology Sought

George Lindberg, who addressed the board at their last meeting, asked for information on his request that they look into the circumstances surrounding the termination of his son Peter Kreft from his position as gatekeeper at the Manchaug Boat Ramp. Lindberg said Blois suggested to Peter that the reason he was let go was the mismanagement of funds. He said Peter had heard the same story from a friend who got it from the child of a town employee. "I want to know why; I want to know how; I want a written apology; I want things straightened out, and a letter of reprimand in his file," Lindberg said.

Gravison agreed with Lindberg: "(Peter's) getting a reputation out of it that he probably should not have because it's all a hearsay issue now." He said that the issue should be discussed in public now that it is public knowledge.

Connor said she received a call from Lindberg before the last meeting and did not want to bring it up in public. She said these statements are difficult to take back and felt that the Town administrator owed the selectmen a public explanation. She added that she felt the incident was not handled well at all.

When asked for an explanation of the matter, Blois said he had no comments.

Attorney Gary Melia addressed the board saying that he represented Kreft. He said the Lindbergs did not take issue with Blois' authority to dismiss Kreft but did take issue with the alleged reason for the dismissal and the reckless disregard for Kreft's reputation. He said the Lindbergs seek a letter of apology from the town or the town administrator directed to Peter, to Peter's co-workers, and that some appropriate letter put in the town administrator's file.

After and during lengthy discussion, all board members agreed that Peter Kreft deserved a letter of apology from the town.

Responding to repeated requests to comment, Blois said, "I am not going to discuss personalities publicly because of the possibility, however remote it might be, of slander, and I am not going to put the town in the position of having to defend itself against a slander suit. That is why I have not said anything, and that is why I will not say anything." Blois also vehemently denied that he was the source of any rumors. "I have no control over rumors and how they are spread," he said, "and believe me, I have been party to rumors, I know how devastating they can be; I know how they spread."

Melia told the board that the Lindbergs were seeking an apology from the town and not a slander suit.

On a motion by Connor, the board voted unanimously to draft a letter of apology.

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On The Shelf

By Rosemary Waltos

With the start of the new school year, we thought it would be helpful to pass on a few suggestions to parents as they help their children with library research assignments. Very often, children in school will ask their parents to help with library assignments. Time and again, before they know it, parents will find themselves gradually taking over and doing a report for their son or daughter. Obviously, such an exercise offers no long-term benefit to anyone. There are, however, strategies that parents can use to effectively help their children with library assignments.

- Ask your children questions about the assignment and encourage them to ask their teachers questions. This helps children clarify what they're trying to do. Help them identify smaller components of the topic they're researching or to see the topic as part of a larger topic. For example, brontosaurus is a subgroup of dinosaurs, which is a subgroup of extinct animals. These classifications will help them identify useful reference.

- Suggest that they look up the topic in the library's computerized catalog, periodical guides, and reference books. Feel free to ask the library's staff for help finding the tools that you need. We will also be happy to help you and your children get started and provide more assistance as needed.

- Be sure your children know how to use a table of contents and index. Suggest they start with something general about the subject, and be prepared to consult more than one source. Remember that there may not be a whole book devoted to the topic being researched.

- Help them to break assignments into logical segments and avoid last-minute panics by setting deadlines for each phase of the work. Allow them plenty of time to gather the materials they need.

- Help them determine if they must go beyond the Millbury Public Library resources to check other information sources.

- Encourage your children to ask the library staff for help in locating needed materials, and let the children do their own talking.

- Give them encouragement, advice, and a ride if they need it, but resist the temptation to take over an assignment. Let your children assume responsibility for researching and writing reports. It's the only way they'll learn the library skills that they can use throughout their school years and the rest of their lives.

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BEACON HILL ROLL CALL

BOSTON - This week's "Beacon Hill Roll Call" records the votes of Representatives Richard T. Moore (D-Uxbridge) and Paul Kollios (D-Millbury) on four roll calls from legislative sessions dealing with Governor Weld's budget vetoes. The Senate has not yet acted on these vetoes and may consider them after the September Primary.

HEALTH INSURANCE (H 5800) House 120-30, overrode Governor Weld's veto of a section amending a current law requiring cities and towns to offer Blue Cross Blue Shied type indemnity plans to its employees. The change allows communities to waive the BCBS requirement if agreement on alternative HMO type health care coverage is reached through collective bargaining agreements. Override supporters said BCBS has stopped coverage in 64 communities and argued this has left those communities in violation of the law and with only local HMO coverage which does not provide any insurance for out of state retirees. They noted the change would mandate equivalent coverage for out of state retirees. Override opponents said the change will create problems for communities and will require higher mandate employer contributions. They argued it will also have an adverse impact on the Group Insurance Commission. Moore and Kollios voted for the change.

FARM PRESERVATION (H 5800) - House 141-3, overrode Governor Weld's veto of $2 million in funding for the Agriculture Preservation Restriction Program. Override supporters said this important program allows the state to pay a farmer an amount of money and impose a deeds restriction which preserves the farm by restricting its development for any non-farm use. Opponents said the program still has some money left and argued this cut is another which must be made to balance the budget. Moore voted for the $2 million; Kollios did not vote.

WELFARE FRAUD (H 5800) House 133-14, overrode Governor Weld's veto reduction of $412,628 (from $4.16 million to $3.75 million) in funding for the Bureau of Special Investigations. Override supporters said this money is necessary to expand the investigation of welfare fraud which costs the state millions of dollars. Override opponents said the reduction is necessary to balance the budget and argued the reduction will still result in maintaining the current level of investigations. Moore voted for the $412,628. Kollios did not vote.

HEALTH CARE (H 5800) - House 105-41, overrode Governor Weld's veto reduction of $386,594 (from $970,196 to $583,602) in funding for administration of the uncompensated care pool. The pool reimburses hospitals for free care they provide to uninsured patients. The veto also eliminates language earmarking $185,350 to fund a statewide program of technical assistance to community health centers. Override supporters said the $386,594 is necessary to administer the program and to help community health centers which are important to many neighborhoods. Opponents said the cut is necessary to balance the budget. Moore voted for the $385,594 including $185,350 for community health centers. Kollios did not vote.

From My Window on Farnsworth Court

By "Pastor Rae" Cameron

Baptism in a Baptist Church is called "Believer's Baptism" because we believe a person should give a public profession of faith first, and then be baptized. As part of the baptismal celebration, we ask the candidates to give their personal testimony of what Jesus means to them, and how they came to know Him as their personal Savior and Lord. We recently had such an experience, but we also asked those in attendance if they would like to share their experience as well, and many did just that.

One told about how he had attended an evangelistic service and the message given by the preacher that night kept coming back to him. It was while riding back from the woods with a load of wood that he finally surrendered his heart to the Lord. Another shared how when she came up out of the waters of baptism, she saw a picture of the Lord on the wall, and there is no picture there. Still another told of how he was witnessed to for over two years by a fellow worker before he gave himself to the Lord. One told of how she accepted the Lord when she took of the first communion after confirmation class.

Most of us were raised in Christian homes and have always attended church so we have always been aware of the Lord Jesus. There had to come a time in our lives when we received Him as our own personal Savior and Lord. One of our cliches is, "God doesn't have any grandchildren."

I came to know our Lord in a Word of Life Rally in Boston Garden back in 1948. My wife told of one minister who tried very hard to get her to join his church, but then one came along and asked her to accept Jesus into her heart. One dear man told of how he was an alcoholic and is being delivered by the Lord. Our candidate shared how she wanted the Lord in her heart before she got married so He would also be in her home.

By whatever means, you, too, need the Lord. Amen.

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ods of delivering services more efficiently. And I am proud of the work we have done to help abused children.

There is more that needs to be done as we work through our economic difficulties. I look forward to the challenges that lie head, and continuing to work closely with the people of this district, as we deal with these problems.

QUESTION TO KOLLIOS: The Massachusetts Environmental Strike Force has filed suit against the developer of the Paul Revere Condominiums in Millbury. The complaint charges Forrow Builders, Inc., and two of its officers with a multitude of violations related to the construction of the septic systems at the complex. One of the developers is William Forrest. According to finance reports of your 1990 campaign, Mr. Forrest was the second largest contributor to your campaign, the first being an education PAC called Mass. Pace.

Mr. Forrest's "in kind" donation of $500 provided you with free office space for your campaign headquarters on lower Elm Street.

Is there any connection between your present Millbury campaign headquarters at 118 Elm Street and Mr. Forrest?

Given the fact that the homeowners at Paul Revere have appealed to you for help, do you see any potential for conflict because of your connection to Mr. Forrest?

KOLLIOS RESPONDS: In February of this year, I was the first official to approach the Attorney General to seek his intervention in the Paul Revere problem. I also worked to push the Department of Environmental Protection for their assistance in protecting the residents who have been harmed.

I resent the implication in your question that my vote can be bought by anyone. In all my years of public service, I have clearly emphasized that my responsibility is to my constituents, not my contributors.

Finally, the space that my campaign rents this year is not owned by Mr. Forrest.

QUESTION TO KOLLIOS: In the last election, incumbents, faced with a mounting "throw them all out attitude," asked their constituents for another chance to improve the economic condition of the state. Voters returned most incumbents, yourself included, for a second chance. Since most taxpayers would argue that conditions have worsened, why should the voters be willing to give any incumbent a third chance?

KOLLIOS RESPONDS: In 1990, I did not ask the voters for a "second chance". I asked for their support based on my record, my positions on the issues that concerned them, and their knowledge of me as an individual who has a record of working hard with them over the years and representing them well at the State House. That is the campaign I am running this year, as well.

THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS WERE ASKED OF BOTH CANDIDATES

QUESTION TO BOTH KOLLIOS AND BAUER: many people believe that the legislators within the 128 corridor, which I would call the "Kingdom of Boston," hold all the power in the state. Would you be willing to initiate a coalition of legislators outside of the 128 corridor to try and offset the power held by the Boston power brokers?

KOLLIOS RESPONDS: There is no doubt that there are more legislators from the 128 Belt -- that's where the state's population is concentrated. Recognizing that we who are outside Rt. 128 needed to work together on issues that were important to us, I helped to found the Central Mass. Legislative Caucus. This group has increased our area's clout on Beacon Hill.

The clout of those outside Rt. 128 also increases when we are recognized by our peers as leaders within the legislature. Committee chairs like Dick Moore, myself, Chris Hodgkins from Pittsfield, Carmen Buell from Greenfield, Shannon O'Brien from Holyoke, and Ray Jordon and Paul Caron from Springfield ensure that legislation bears the stamp of the regions outside Rt. 128.

BAUER RESPONDS: There is a real problem breaking through the Boston-controlled State Legislature. There exists a group called the "Central Mass. Legislative Caucus" which was formed a few years back to try and gain more muscle for the forgotten section of Massachusetts. I would work closely with this coalition and even try to expand it to include Western Massachusetts as well.

QUESTION TO KOLLIOS AND BAUER: how will you vote on any issue that relates to abortion? Will your vote be based on personal moral convictions or on the wishes of your constituency? If the latter, how do you know their wishes? Have you polled voters in the district on any issue related to abortion?

KOLLIOS RESPONDS: I will continue to be a pro-choice legislator. I strongly believe that women have the right to make their own choices, consistent with their own convictions, about whether to carry a pregnancy to term. They must continue to have access to safe abortions.

My position is also consistent with the views of many of my constituents. In 1986, a majority of this district voted in a statewide referendum to oppose restrictions on abortion rights. More recently, in 1991, I walked door-to-door to survey my constituents on a number of issues, including abortion rights. The support of the majority for abortion rights was strong.

I am proud to be the only candidate in this race to be endorsed by Mass Choice.

BAUER RESPONDS: In the area of abortion, both the incumbent and I are pro-choice. As an ordained minister in the United Church of Christ (Congregational), I feel abortion is an area for personal morality, and not the government, to have the last word. My own church has taken a pro-choice position since Roe v. Wade, so I have no conflict between my private morality and my public actions. Those whose own religious background leads them to a different conclusion are free to discourage abortion through the use of persuasion, such as in the excellent commercials currently being run by a private foundation that urges people to "choose life."

I am against third trimester abortions, and would prefer that these be performed only to save the life of the mother.

In general, I am pro-choice, but not pro-abortion. I've done a lot of thinking on the issue of separation of church and state, and believe that even if one religious group is dominant in a given area, that should not mean that views based on religious doctrines, even those of a majority, should be binding on all. The law should deal with what we can agree on in a secular way, not enforce religious beliefs. With pro-choice laws, people are free to choose according to their religious convictions whether or not to have an abortion.

QUESTION TO KOLLIOS AND BAUER: Do you favor periodic retesting of teachers and tenure for teachers?

KOLLIOS RESPONDS: I support greater opportunities for professional development for teachers, including regional training centers where both new and old teachers can learn new techniques from master teachers. For teachers who can't cut the mustard, I support a "just cause" standard for dismissal if tenure is reformed.

BAUER RESPONDS: It must be made easier to reward good teachers and fire those who should not be in the classroom. Periodic retesting of teachers only rewards those who score well on tests: I want to reward those who do well in the classroom. Teachers should be evaluated by their principal and a team of Master Teachers each year, and recommendations for re-hiring and salary should be made in light of those results.

QUESTION TO BOTH KOLLIOS AND BAUER: are you satisfied with the quality of education in the public schools today? If not, why and what changes would you make. If satisfied, why are you in favor of reform?

KOLLIOS RESPONDS: As I said earlier, maintaining our public education system to meet the changing needs of students and the requirements for the workplace of the future is an ongoing effort. Our children are no longer competing with the children of neighboring towns, they're competing with students in Asia, Europe and throughout the world. In addition to reforms I mentioned in the previous question, I want an education reform bill that provides 1. better standards for measuring a student's progress. Specifically, a portfolio of evaluations which would require demonstrated learning in a subject matter rather than multiple-choice testing; 2. a phase-in of early childhood education for all students to lessen the need for expensive remedial education in later years; and 3. incentives for recruiting the brightest students to enter the teaching profession.

BAUER RESPONDS: I am not happy with education today because we rank dead last in math and science among other modern nations! And employers report hiring people who can't read well, understand simple directions, or do basic math correctly! On education reform, I answer that when I talk about my own reform plan.

QUESTION TO KOLLIOS AND BAUER: please list what you believe to be the most pressing single problem peculiar to each of the towns in your district, and any legislation you would propose in the next legislative session to deal with the issue.

KOLLIOS RESPONDS: In Millbury, we need to correct the terrible environmental problems in the Paul Revere Condominium Complex. I will continue to work closely with the Attorney-General's Environmental Strike Force, all state and local officials and condo residents to bring a resolution to this terrible problem. I will also be following through on my legislation to study the impacts of high power lines that travel through the town.

I will continue to push the Executive Office of Environmental Affairs to release $350,000 in reimbursements to the town of Oxford for the landfill capping project. The town has fulfilled its commitment and put the money up front to complete this project. Now, it's up to the administration to release these funds to Oxford. They deserve it!

BAUER RESPONDS: I believe the State has a duty to help communities who, for environmental reasons, must have more sewerage made available to them. I would sponsor a bill designed for the Paul Revere circumstances, to make it easier

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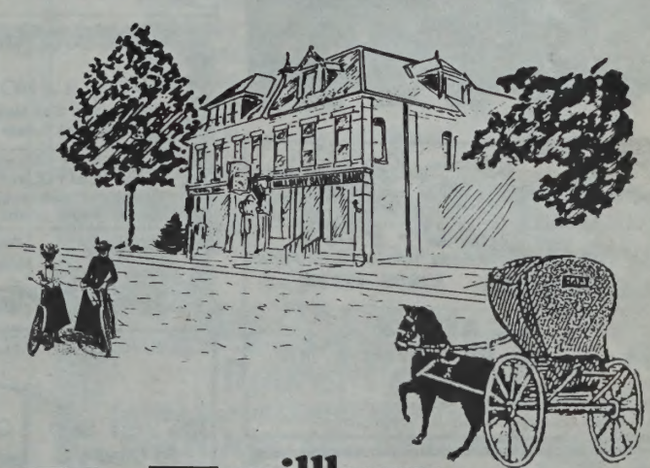

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Committee approves undersubscribed classes

By Edward J. Cooney

MILLBURY - The Millbury School Committee met Tuesday, September 1 instead of its regular meeting day of Wednesday. Chairman Chet Hanratty noted that the last regular meeting held on August 19th was inadvertently not posted and, as a result, action taken on the agenda items for that meeting had to be voted on again.

Search for replacement

The only issue that was reconsidered that was discussed and approved at the August 19th meeting was the advertising for a replacement for Superintendent Alfred Sylvia who will be leaving December 21, 1992 on an unpaid leave until retirement in May 1993. The Committee adopted a stance at the last meeting to go for a "nationwide search" for a replacement and not just post from within. The decision was reversed by a 4-1 vote tonight to post from within. Committee member Tom Clawson voted in opposition.

Hanratty read a letter from the Assistant Executive Director of the Mass. Association of School Committees, Margaret Jacques, that was sent in response to a telephone inquiry .

The letter counsels the School Committee that if they are sure they are in support of an individual within the school system as a replacement, it is questionable as to the advisability of going outside "just to see 'what's out there.'" They advised against a full blown search for three reasons:

1. the cost of advertising;

2. The committee's obligation to be fair to those who may apply who may think they will receive the consideration due them. "To subject these people to the process, including interviews, when the decision has essentially been made would be grossly unfair," Jacques wrote.

3. The possibility that the system might lose the inside candidate to another district during the search process.

Class Sizes

Assistant High School Principal Charles Capparelli gave a brief update on a report he did at the Committee's request on how other school systems in the Southern Worcester County League handle the issue of small class sizes. Capparelli said they do their failures and transfers during the summer and he also said they expressed surprise to him that the Millbury School Committee makes the final decision as the administrators he spoke to told him they are left to decide. In Grafton, Capparelli said low class sizes of 3 or 4 are allowed if they are required courses for graduation.

"With respect to low class size," Capparelli said, "most are electives which kids have to have if they are going to compete in the job market. I would hate to see that they not get what they deserve," he said.

Hanratty explained that the committee, in the past, felt it needed to get control of class sizes for economic reasons. "I don't think any (classes) were denied in the past that Mr. Carmody (H.S. Principal Daniel Carmody) has brought before us," he said. "All the School Committee is looking for is what is what and why there are under 15 students per class. I'm not saying we rubber stamp things. It gives us an idea as to what to do. The School Committee is well within its rights to ask."

Committeewoman Barbara Tuttle asked if all teachers are certified in the subjects they are teaching.

Carmody replied, "I would say they are." He also said that the teachers have to be certified in 3 of the 5 courses they teach.

Tuttle again asked if there are any who are not certified.

Sylvia said he could get her a list, but to his knowledge all teachers at the high school are certified. "Maybe on certain occasions there maybe a couple of classes they might teach, but they have some course background in that subject," he said.

Tuttle said she would like to see the information "in black and white."

Carmody said if there are any, there would be very few and only in isolated cases.

Carmody then reported that Millbury High School will pick up 35 new students this year. He did note that some were lost to Blackstone Valley Tech and parochial schools. "We lost 21 and have a net gain of 14 this year," he said.

Carmody also said that the figures on class sizes can change as students may find some subjects they chose to be over their heads. "Some will find that out after the first ten weeks and want out," he said. "These are not cast in stone."

Hanratty said the Committee was not looking for figures cast in stone but would like to know in August if Carmody feels classes under 15 will be filled. "We are asking you to tell us that and what your recommendations are in August," Hanratty said.

Carmody then reviewed with the Committee all the classes being offered and the numbers in all courses. He noted that several classes in the same subject areas could be combined and that there were also several instances where some classes would not go because there were no students selecting those classes.

Carmody underscored the need to go with several courses in college level subjects to allow students to meet college entrance requirements.

Pojani noted that one English class seemed high with 31 students and asked how that would be handled?

Carmody said he hoped to do something relative to bringing that number down. "I usually petition Dr. Sylvia for assistance," he said. "He has okayed splitting a class under those situations in the past. He usually works something out."

Pojani asked if there was a teacher available to do that? Carmody replied no, but said there may be a change in numbers in some other classes.

Tuttle suggested that some classes that would normally have small enrollment be offered every other year. She also reported that she has heard that some elementary and lower grade level teachers have expressed concern with the number of low class numbers at the high school relative to the class sizes at the elementary level.

Sylvia said the elementary teachers are not aware of what the high school is like and said it is entirely different from the elementary level as there are different course offerings like three levels of Spanish or French.

Tuttle replied that was why she feels there should be some classes offered every other year, "because the time has come where we can't afford the luxury of having so many small classes," she said.

The Committee voted on Carmody's recommendations to approve the classes with fewer than 15 students on a 4-1 vote, Tuttle abstaining.

The Committee also approved a recommendation to allow three students to be on home study. Assistant Superintendent Richard Palermo said he met with the parents and students involved and said the home study program has the administration's approval.

The students can use the school facilities but cannot participate in interscholastic sports according to the ruling of the MIAA, because the principal has no means of monitoring attendance nor the power to suspend if the student is on home study. They could participate if they wish in intermural sports. Carmody suggested that although cheerleading is not a sport, he would find it difficult to go along with a student on home study taking the place of another student in school who might try out and not make it. He also suggested that a home study student might be allowed to use the library facilities after school, but not during school as the students who attend school might look on that as an advantage they do not have.

Sylvia said he already told the parents and students they could have use of the library facilities during the day.

Immunization records

Capparelli asked the Committee what was to be done in regard to 41 students who are moving on to the seventh grade and have not provided the school with any record of booster immunizations. He said he sent home 60 letters to parents in July telling them that without the immunization shots, their son or daughter could not enter school. Of the list, 41 students did not comply.

Capparelli said he contacted the elementary schools and was told by the principals that the parents were notified last spring that there were two clinics to be held at the Shaw School. The letter sent home to parents on July 27 states that "Massachusetts State Law requires all students to have a tetanus/diphtheria booster every ten (10) years and a second measles immunization before entering the seventh grade.

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for the residents of Paul Revere to force the developer to pay for sewerage; but if our State had spent in a reasonable manner, money might have been available for the State to do the right thing for these folks, who have really gotten the short end of the stick, if the developer is bankrupt and can't pay.

QUESTION TO BAUER: what percentage of the legislature presently is female. How would you go about penetrating the male dominated power structure?

BAUER RESPONDS: Only 11% of the current legislature is female; that percentage could go up after this year's elections. All my life, as a member of the National Guard, as a Congregational Minister, as a Political Scientist, I have been one of a few women in a sea of men. It hasn't seemed to stop me yet! Everybody responds well to people who are courteous and who know what they are doing. That is what I always try to do, and it appears to work!

QUESTION TO BAUER: you are asking voters to choose you over an incumbent who is a member of your party. How is your philosophy different from that of the mainstream Democratic party? State how you would avoid becoming simply another obedient junior member of the Democratic legislature since not playing along would most likely keep you from being appointed chairman of any committees and getting many bills passed?

BAUER RESPONDS: I have already discussed my many differences with the current incumbent. I consider myself a Paul Tsongas Democrat, a Moderate rather than an old-style Liberal. Because I will live with a personal term limit, I'll be free to work for change. I expect to be a force to be reckoned with in the Legislature, even in my first year, as the only person who has made the study of government her life's work. It won't take me a year to figure out how a bill becomes a law: I'll be a newcomer, but not a rookie. This way the District gets some of the benefits of an experienced legislator, without the baggage of the old-style career politicians.

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Finally, I will continue to work with state and local officials to help alleviate traffic congestion in Auburn. Auburn has been fortunate to sustain a good tax base with commercial businesses and industry. However, the state has a responsibility to assist in mitigating traffic problems on state and local roadways.

Many of the problems which face our district and affect our quality of life cannot be corrected simply by filing legislation. These problems require communication and cooperation between both state and local officials. I will continue to do my best to resolve the many issues which face the three towns in my district.

BAUER RESPONDS:

The single most pressing problem for all three districts is the pervasive sense in all the people in this district that politics does not matter any more, that they have no influence, that they are left out, that it is the people at the top that make all the decisions, and nobody asks them. Voter turn out is down; people are upset; people feel disconnected with their government, and they want people they can believe in again. I think that is the single biggest problem in our whole country.

Now for the single most pressing problem in each of the towns. Oxford needs business development and we need it now. We have needed it for a long time. We failed to locate the United Parcel building in Oxford and we do not know if Wal-Mart will locate in Oxford.

When Paul Kollios came to Oxford 12 years ago and said, "Elect me your representative," Oxford was a town with very little industry, struggling small businesses, and not a single grocery store. Twelve years later, Oxford is still a town with very little industry, struggling small businesses, and not a single grocery store. What's the single most pressing problem for Oxford? The Mass Pike/146 Interchange is not going to help Oxford; commuter rail may or may not help Oxford. What we have to have is an aggressive program with pro-business incentives that gives people tax breaks to expand their business, that looks kindly on small business instead of constantly increasing their taxes over and over and says to small business, "Grow! Expand! Hire more people!"

Economic development is what is needed in Oxford, and it has not happened in the last twelve years, and if we keep on with the same old policies, it will not happen for the next twelve years.

Auburn has been able to take advantage of the Massachusetts miracle and they grew. Now Auburn has problems siting low cost housing in areas that are good for families. People have been worried trying to site that low cost housing; trying to locate it in the right place.

Auburn is having trouble with Route 20 and the changing traffic patterns. There are businesses that may go under while BJ's is being built. There has to be some sensitivity to that problem. That may not call for legislation as much as a legislator who will bring people together.

Millbury has several environmental disasters waiting to happen. First there is the Paul Revere Condominium development that is a real tragedy. Ninety-eight units were built with inadequate septic systems. They need help; they need legislation that will make it easier to sue their developer. I will be willing to file legislation to make it easier to sue developers for negligence.

The other environmental disaster is the effect of the High Voltage Transmission Lines. I would propose the state conduct a study done by independent scientists because there has been a lot of evidence in the last couple of years that the transmission lines may make it dangerous for residents close to the lines. This study should be done on Electromagnetic radiation that comes from the substation area to make sure that people are safe.

Funding available from Millbury Arts Council

MILLBURY - The Millbury Arts Council is accepting applications for the current funding cycle. Forms, which may be obtained from the Town Clerk or at the Library, must be submitted by October 15, 1992.

Historical Society Yard Sale

MILLBURY - The Millbury Historical Society is planning a yard sale at the West Millbury School on September 26, from 10-4, rain or shine.

Proceeds will enable the Society to continue with renovations of the late 19th century schoolhouse. If you have items to donate for the sale, call Mary Lou Mulhane at 865-9831 or Grace Laflash at 865-4563.

Named to Dean's List

MILLBURY - Karen M. Dauderis, of 5 Cyndy Lane, has been named to the Dean's List for the University of Maryland European Division for Term 4 1991/1992. She is presently enrolled and will receive her Associate of Arts in Business Administration in December, 1992. She will then continue her studies at Maryland in January, pursuing a degree in business.

Karen and her family are currently living in Ramstein, Germany where her husband, Peter, is on a three year assignment with the U.S. Government.

Grafton church updates schedule

GRAFTON - The Union Congregational Church, 88 Main Street, will return to the Fall Schedule on September 13 when the morning worship service returns to the 10:45 a.m. time.

The Sunday school will start the fall session on September 13 at 9:30 a.m. The entire church, young and old, will hold a Rally Day Picnic after the Worship Service which will include a performance by the Supreme Court Jesters.

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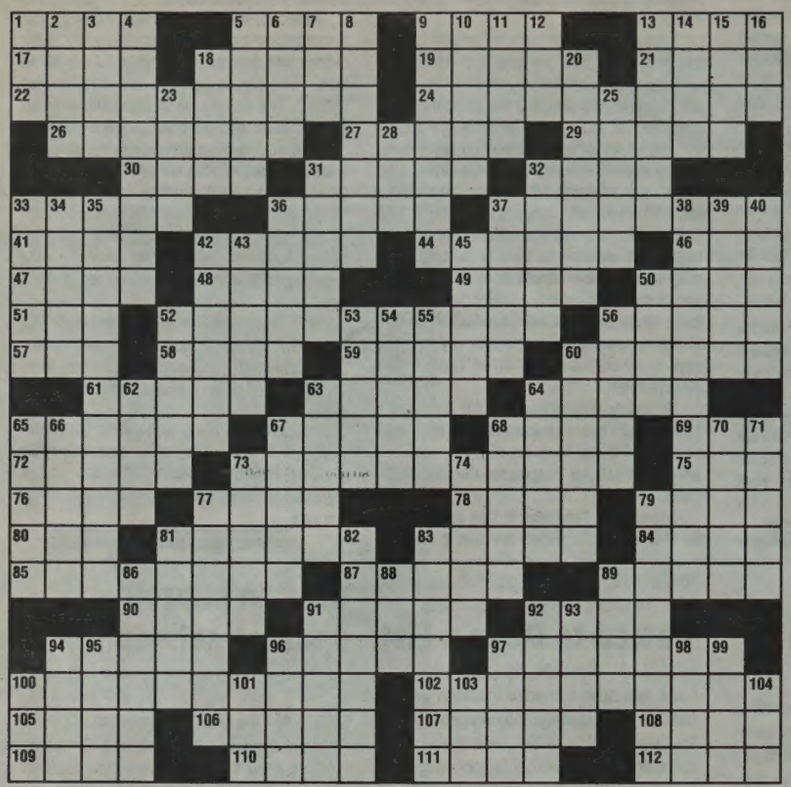

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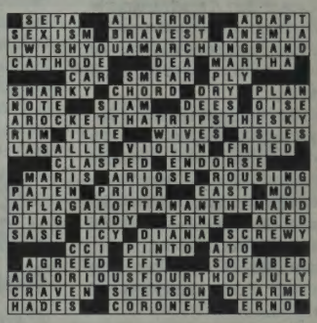

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Millbury Planning Board
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with the provisions of Chapter 40A of the Massachusetts General laws, the Millbury Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, September 28, 1992 at 7:00 p.m. at the Municipal Office Building, Planning Board Hearing Room, 127 Elm Street, Millbury, MA on the application of Sarah Soloperto, 41 West Main Street, for a multifamily special permit under Article 1, Section 14.11(a) of the Millbury Zoning Bylaws.

The proponent wishes to remodel the existing dental office for a living space.

Anyone wishing to be heard on this application should appear at the time and place designated above.
Ann Kniskern, Chairwoman
September 10 and 17, 1992

Sutton Planning Board
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with MGL Chapter 40A, the Sutton Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, September 28, 1992, at 7:45 PM, in the Municipal Center to review the proposed amendment to the Sutton Zoning By-law by adding a new Article 16 "Groundwater Protection District By-law".

The purpose of this Groundwater Protection District bylaw is to promote the health, safety and general welfare of the community by ensuring an adequate quality and quantity of drinking water for the residents, institutions and businesses of the Town of Sutton; to preserve and protect existing and potential sources of drinking water supplies; to conserve the natural resources of the Town; and, to prevent temporary and permanent contamination of the environment.

Full copies of the proposed new by-law may be reviewed in the Town Clerk's office during regular business hours.
Scott Paul, Chairman
September 10 and 17, 1992

NOTICE OF SALE

The Millbury Board of Health has a 1982 John Deere Model 755A Crawler Loader for sale. Sealed bids will be accepted at the Board of Health Office, 127 Elm Street, Millbury, until 7:15 p.m. September 22, 1992, at which time they will be opened and publicly read.

Terms of Sale:

Cash or certified check within several days of bid opening.

Machine must be removed from Town property within seven days of bid opening or payment will be forfeited.

Machine is to be sold "AS IS."

The machine is available for inspection at the Millbury Highway Department, Providence Street, Millbury, Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m,.

The Board reserves the right to reject any or all bids they deem not be in the best interest of the town.
MARK ENVELOPES: JOHN DEERE BID
Millbury Board of Health
James M. Dwinell, Chairman
Thomas G. Brown
James M. Morin
September 10 and 17, 1992

Sutton Planning
NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING

In accordance with MGL Chapter 40A, the Sutton Planning Board will hold a public hearing on Monday, September 28, 1992 at 7:30 p.m. in the Municipal Center to review the proposed amendment to the Sutton Zoning By-law Section 6.2.1 (Table of Area Regulations) of Article 6 (Area, Height and Bulk Regulations) of the Zoning Bylaws by deleting "R-1" District dimensions in its entirety therefrom:

DISTRICT	USE	AREA	MINIMUM REQUIRED WIDTH	FRONT	SIDE	REAR
R-1	Any permitted structure of principal use Not serviced by Municipal Water or sewer	80,000	250	50	20	50
	Serviced by Municipal water and/or sewer	40,000	175	50	20	50

and substituting in lieu thereof the following new "R-1" District dimensions:

DISTRICT	USE	AREA	MINIMUM REQUIRED WIDTH	FRONT	SIDE	REAR
R-1	Any permitted structure or principal use	80,000	250	50	20	50

AND FURTHER, to amend said Section 6.2.1 by deleting "R-2" District dimensions which reads as follows:

DISTRICT	USE	AREA	MINIMUM REQUIRED WIDTH	FRONT	SIDE	REAR
R-2	Service by Municipal water and sewer	20,000	135	40	15	40

AND FURTHER, to amend said Section 6.2.1 by adding the following new footnote:
"16. All lots located on a designated scenic road shall have a frontage requirement of 100 feet."
Scott Paul
Chairman
September 10 and 17, 1992

Turkey Supper

MILLBURY - A Turkey Supper sponsored by the Administrative Council of the Millbury Baptist Church will be held Saturday, September 26, with continuous servings from 5-7 p.m. in the Fellowship Hall of the red brick church on Main Street next to the common.

The menu will include roast turkey and gravy, stuffing, mashed potato, squash, green beans, cranberry sauce, rolls and butter, beverages, and apple pie, all served family style. Tickets are $6.00 and may be purchased at the door. Take out will be available by calling Sandy Gilbert at 865-5176.

DAR Meeting

SUTTON - The General Rufus Putnam Chapter Daughters of the American Revolution will meet Thursday, September 17, at 1:30 p.m. at the Sutton Town Hall. The guest speaker will be Blackstone Valley Park Ranger Walton Stockwell. Refreshments will be served, and the public is invited. For more information, call 865-6281.

It's Story Time Again!

MILLBURY - Story Time at the Millbury Public Library is a program for three and four year olds with finger plays, games, stories and simple crafts. The goal of Story Time is to widen the horizons of preschoolers by introducing them to the exciting world of books. Participants may choose either the Wednesday or Thursday morning group with the program lasting from 10:30 a.m.to 11:30. The Fall session will begin the first week of October and will run through the end of November.

Registration for Story Time will begin Wednesday, September 16 at 10:00 a.m. Children must be three by October 1 and should not be attending kindergarten.

If you have any questions, call Elaine Loehmann at the Library at 865-1181.

Annual Flea Market

MILLBURY - The Women's Fellowship of the First Congregational Church on West Main Street will holds its annual flea market in the church vestry on Saturday, September 19, from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m. To reserve table space, contact Jeri Stead at 865-5371 as soon as possible.

The Women's Fellowship will sponsor a Bakery Shop, Used Clothing Table, and Jewelry Table. Hot dogs, doughnuts, and beverages will be available.

Benefit Golf Tournament

MILLBURY - A Florida-style golf tournament to benefit the Super Park project will be held at Clearview Country Club on Saturday, October 10. The shotgun start will depend on the number of entries. Teams will consist of five individuals.

The entree fee is $45 per person and includes green fees, cart, contribution, and prizes. Sandwiches will be served on the golf course. Proceeds will go to the Super Park Fund.

For more information, Call Evelyn Plante at 865-9132 or Tom Lucas at 865-1685.

DEADLINE

The deadline for all submissions to the Millbury-Sutton Chronicle is Saturday noon of the week prior to publication. The office is closed on Saturdays, but announcements may be left in the mail box to the right of the side entrance door.

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"If this matter is not taken care of," Capparelli wrote, "your son/daughter will not be allowed to enroll in school. When your son/daughter has received the inoculation, the school will need doctor verification."

Capparelli then asked the committee for some direction on what to do with the students.

Hanratty said it was his opinion that if state law says the students need those shots, "then we, as elected officials, are obligated to uphold the law."

Palermo said he discussed the matter with the Special Education Director, Mrs. Stowe, and it was noted that in the past students were not allowed in unless they had a note or an appointment with a doctor.

Committee member Jane Pojani also expressed concern that the law be upheld.

Tuttle asked if the school doctor could provide the shots for those that need them.

Carmody replied that he would not have the necessary vaccine and that the town would have to pay for the immunizations. "What was done last year, and it seems reasonable to me," he said, "is that if the parents call the doctor and can't get an appointment today or tomorrow, then what we want from the youngster is, 'I have an appointment prior to October 1 or whatever cutoff date you want. After that date, if they don't have it they can't come to school. I know the dilemma," Carmody said, "and I know the parents should have taken care of this. Unfortunately, for one reason or another, 41 of the students coming into grade 7 have not. We really are holding the youngster captive for something that isn't their responsibility. I think this is a case of where many have it somewhere. The reality hasn't hit them yet, that tomorrow is opening day."

Committeeman Tom Clawson asked about the Committee's legal responsibility.

"Our responsibility is to uphold and follow state law," Hanratty replied. "I believe also that we have no authority to supersede state law. We have had the misfortune of getting caught on technicalities in the past. It is my opinion we have to uphold the law."

Marble asked if and when the parents were notified?

Carmody and Capparelli said the parents were notified in June and again in July.

"I hate to keep the kids out of school," Marble said. "but I don't see we have the authority to go around the law. I agree with Chet."

It was suggested that if the students do show up, they be sent home. Carmody said that could cause a liability problem if the parents are not home.

Sylvia said he wanted some clarification because the nurses are telling him that these students should not be in school.

The Committee approved a motion by Pojani that students be allowed in class on the first day and that they be given a note to take home stating that they will not be allowed back in school without verification of immunization, if in fact it is a state law. The Committee approved 5-0.

[The Chronicle, in speaking with Capparelli on the second day of school, was told that 38 of the 41 students brought in verification of booster shots.]

Miscellaneous

- Head High School Basketball Coach Ron Dunham tendered his resignation as head coach and will assume a similar position in the Acton-Boxborough Regional High School district. He said he was not dissatisfied with Millbury but had been assured by theActon district that in the near future there will be a number of administrative positions coming up to which he aspires. He recommended present jayvee coach Terry Bernard as his replacement. The Committee accepted his resignation with deep regret.

Wedding Anniversary Day

WORCESTER - Couples celebrating their 1st, 5th, 10th, 15th, 25th, 35th, 45th, and 50th and beyond wedding anniversary in 1992 are invited to share in the Diocesan "Wedding Anniversary Day" Celebration sponsored by the Office of Family Life Ministry. This year's celebration will be held Sunday, October 18, at St. Peter's, 931 Main Street. The concelebrated Mass will begin at 2 p.m. with Bishop Harrington. A brief reception will follow. If you would like to participate, call 791-7171 or contact your parish priest and give him your name, address, and wedding date by September 25.

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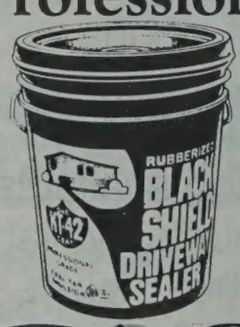

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